The folliwing 3 cases have been investigated by CBI/CVC against Vice-President (Project Engineering) of ITDC:—

(i) irregularities in the award of contract for expansion of Hotel Kalinga Ashok, Bhubneshwar.

(ii) irregularities in awarding the contract for expansion of Hotel Jaipur Ashok, Jaipur.

(iii) irregularities in the award of work relating to installation of Master Antenna T.V. system in ITDC hotels.

(b) and (c) The C.V.C. have recommended major penalty action in the third case in part (a) above. The recommendations are being examined in ITDC.

Development of Tourism in Kerala

1120. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state the details of the projects which are being considered for the promotion of tourism in the State of Kerala during the 8th plan period as well as for the year 1992-93?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): The National Action Plan for Tourism presented in the Parliament includes the development of Bekal beach in the State of Kerala for intensive development as a special tourism area.

Upgrading Trivandrum Airport

1121. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to reply of Starred Question 151 given in the Rajya Sabha on 2nd November, 191 and state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the development of Trivandrum airport as an international airport; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Trivandrum is an international airport already. The International Airports Authority of India has formulated long term development and modernisation plans for the airport. The security lounge and domestic departure have been airconditioned.

Airconditioning of the arrival area is expected by December, 1993. Provisions has also been made for a New Terminal Complex, besides other works, such as cargo complex, security fencing roads, improvement of runway, taxiways, apron, etc.

Indian Airlines staff adopting go slow tactics

1122. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Airlines staff has been adopting "go slow" tactics in protest against what is called the open sky policy;

(b) if so, whether any private sector entrepreneures have been permitted to operate in any sector, if so, the details of the flights operated by them and

(c) what steps are being taken to normalise the Indian Airlines operations, indicating the number and details of the flights cancelled or delayed as a result of such go slow tactics

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Air Taxi operators are free to operate to/from all airports in the country open to scheduled operation

(c) Does not arise.